

DAM MAINTENANCE, REPAIR MODIFICATION, ABANDONMENT, AND REMOVAL GRANT

Authorization: ss. 31.19(5) and 31.385, Wis. Stats.; ch. NR 335, Wis. Admin. Code

Budget: 2001-2002 Fiscal Year = \$ 0
2001-2003 Fiscal Year = \$ 0

Objective: Provide municipalities and public inland lake districts with financial assistance for dam maintenance, repair, modification, abandonment, and removal.

Eligibility: Counties, cities, villages, towns, and public inland lake protection districts.

Level of Assistance: 50% matching grants for eligible project costs; limit: \$200,000 per project.

Priorities: Funding priority is determined by the dam's size, hazard rating, downstream zoning, repair costs, and the municipality's financial need.

Eligible Types of Projects: Dam repair, reconstruction, modification or abandonment, and removal.

Applications: Available upon request. Submittal deadline: April 1 of each year.

History: In 1989 the state legislature authorized the use of state bonding money to fund grants for municipally owned dams. This funding has been increased periodically by the legislature; however, there has been no increase in funding for the past three biennia and all funds are currently committed to projects. In 1990, the DNR requested and filled two project positions. The persons in those positions revised ch. NR 335, Wis. Admin. Code, to become the Dam Maintenance, Repair, Modification, Abandonment, and Removal Aid Program.

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